AGENCY CONTACT MEMORANDUM #2011-0601

To: Agency CIOs, Technical Contacts

From: Steve Rucker, Commissioner
Commonwealth Office of Technology

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Subject: Compliance Sheriff

Commonwealth Office of Technology is pleased to announce the availability of a new service to help state agencies with ADA compliance management.

Compliance Sheriff software suite is now available to all state government agencies upon request without additional software purchases. By utilizing the application, agencies can more easily ensure website compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act requirements and better follow industry best practices and standards in Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG).

The application also assists agencies with compliance of Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Commonwealth's accessibility and privacy policies and procedures. Additional features include tools that address broken links and typographical errors and assist with other issues based on individual agency needs.

Compliance Sheriff is replacing AccVerify software utilities due to its enhanced features and upgraded checkpoints for current industry standards, including WCAG 2.0.

COT offers fee-based services (rate CS-10) to agencies for testing and site quality monitoring upon request, and will also provide customized all-inclusive services when necessary, including site assessment, analysis and report monitoring. State agencies who wish to utilize Compliance Sheriff can do so independently.

For more information, please contact the Commonwealth Service Desk (commonwealthservicedesk@ky.gov) or by phone at (502) 564-7576 and request Testing Services.